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Ruby Dee speaks to WSU campus about civil rights life experiences

Kelsey Bender / The Guardian



Ruby Dee spoke to a full house in the Apollo room last Wednesday about her experiences during the Civil Rights Movement

Entertainer shares her stories about working with Martin Luther King Jr., Malcolm X

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Civil rights activist and theatrical groundbreaker Ruby Dee entertained a crowd of all ages in the Student Union Apollo Room last Wednesday.

As part of the Presidential Lecture Series and the Bolinga Center's 35th Anniversary celebration, Dee reflected on her stage career and experiences of working alongside Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. and Malcolm X.

Dr. Yvonne Seon, Distinguished Visiting Director at the Bolinga Center, opened the lecture with a statement from Mayor Rhine McLin, who proclaimed Jan. 11, 2006 as Ruby Dee Day.

President Goldenberg then recognized the impact of the Bolinga Center on the WSU community, calling it an "essential component" of the university.

"It is appropriate to honor the memory of Dr. Martin Luther King in this forum and equally fitting to recognize the work of our celebrated guest whose contributions to the theatre and to human rights have earned her the distinction for being called a national treasure," he added.

Stuart McDowell, Chair of the Department of Theatre, Dance and Motion Pictures, gave an overview of Dee's theatrical accomplishments. McDowell also announced the establishment of a \$10,000 scholarship in the name of Dee and her late husband, Ossie Davis.

When Dee took to the microphone, a hush fell over the audience as she dramatically read poems about King and social justice.

She addressed modern day problems,

such as joblessness and poverty, and likened King to Jesus. "I've got to mention some of (King's) dreams because he did so much more than have a dream," Dee said.

She remembered King's unwavering dedication to social justice and his sense of humor.

Born in Cleveland in 1924 and raised in Harlem, Dee recalled witnessing police brutality, violence and prejudice that gave her nightmares.

"The monsters of realities that were happening around me invaded my life as a child and brought me to this place of 'If I'm not black and a protestor, then how do I live? What do you do if you don't struggle?'" she said.

Thus, a fire lit inside her and initiated years of resisting conformity. "All of us become who we are," Dee said.

"It's an extension of my own personal history to see just how applicable that was," Dee said.

"People talk about my being in the movement, and a lot of the struggles and faith in a great many things, but it came with the territory," she added.

Senior Theatre Studies major Jovan Printers came for two reasons. "I've always been into theatre so it was very important for me to come and see her, especially because I'm an African-American," said Printers.

"I wanted to hear about what she went through back then, and I wanted to hear about her past experiences with King and Malcolm X," said Blake Hoyle, a freshman with an undecided major.

The In His Presence Gospel Choir led the audience in singing "This Little Light of Mine" and a conversation with historian Larry Crowe followed.

In closing, Dee challenged the audience to carry on King's legacy.

"It's not enough to have a symbol of a man and it's not enough to talk about 'we shall overcome.' When people say 'universal man of God,' there is no alternative to loving each other, even our enemies. We've got to love each other," Dee said.



Cheerleaders make a pyramid during a break at the women's basketball game last week at the Nutter Center.

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01/03/2006- Police were called to the dorms to investigate an odor which was later confirmed to be marijuana. In addition to this, there were several bottles of beer found in the dorm room which belonged to a minor. Police took the marijuana and forced the student to dump the beer. She was told if she was caught with beer or drugs again she would be arrested and that the case would be forwarded to Judicial Affairs.

01/04/2006- Police were called to the Center of Teaching and Learning to investigate a possible theft of some equipment. Police were unable to locate the equipment and there was no indication of forced entry.

01/06/2006- A vehicle was stopped for suspicious activity and later found to have open beer and marijuana. Those involved were arrested and given mandatory court dates for possession of marijuana and alcohol offenses involving minors. Later, the student whom was being visited was questioned and found to have two active warrants, violent tendencies and prior felony charges.

01/07/2006- A student reported a theft from her car after returning from the Nutter Center for an event. The door had been punched in and the stereo equipment had been removed with wire cutters. Police requested serial numbers for the equipment. However there are no suspects at this time.

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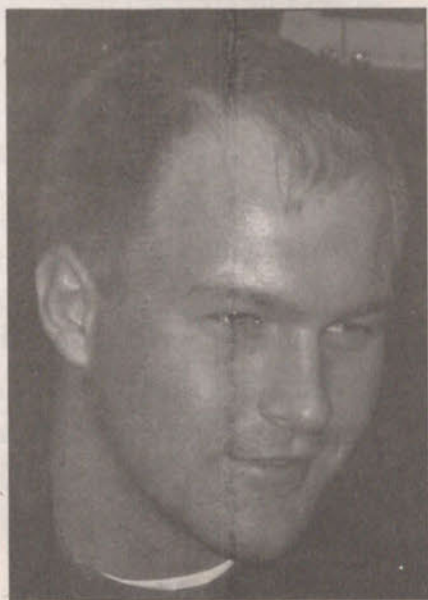
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The Sago Mine disaster

How do you feel about how the media handled the situation at the Sago Mine?



"The media's printings were wrong, but everyone is over-reacting about what should or shouldn't have been done. Being a coal miner is a dangerous occupation where lives are constantly at risk. It is an unfortunate situation that has happened but the risks were known."

Joshua Osborne, 22
Management Information Systems



"Don't talk what you don't know. It's very disrespectful to the families and to the coal miners because it's misleading."

Laron Hudson, 19
Theatre Studies

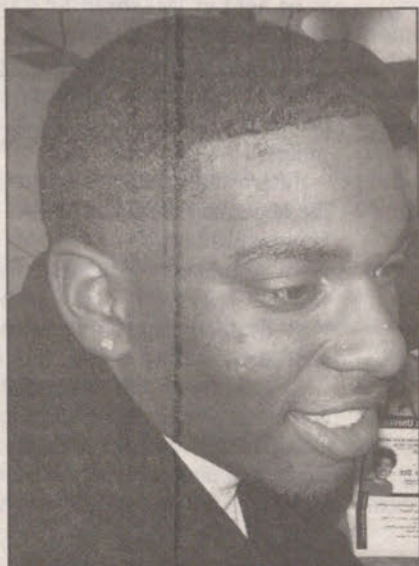


"I think that the media needs to confirm all their facts before going live and getting everyone's hopes up."

Janelle Schlater, 20
Nursing

"I think it's actually one of the biggest screw-ups in society. They hurt the families and society in general. People who don't know the miners are even in tears."

Hannah Wegmann, 18,
Acting/Musical Theatre



"I feel humans make mistakes we should forgive. We tend to report good things during a bad situation."

Ralph Dixon, 21,
Management Business

"I felt journalism wise it was bad, it should have been handled tactfully."

Trinh Pham, 22, Mass
Communication



Bill proposes putting pregnancy centers on university campuses

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The Elizabeth Cady Stanton Pregnant and Parenting Student Services Act of 2005 will help women attending college keep children close while finishing their education.

The Elizabeth Cady Stanton Pregnant and Parenting Student Services Act is a proposed bill that would offer college institutions grant money to provide additional services to college parents.

"I think that, seeing as Wright State is such a commuter school, a program like this would help encourage more young parents to continue their education," said Lauren Cuff, a sophomore liberal studies major.

"Offering support for all their students should be Wright State's number one priority," Cuff added.

Services include family housing, child care, maternity coverage, resources for mothers and children as well as education resources for mothers and fathers as to better support healthy marriages among other services accord-

ing to Feminists for Life.

Feminists for Life started an outreach program for college students that gained momentum and found itself with the support of Senator Elizabeth Dole and congresswoman Melissa Hart.

The program has gained support

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*- Lauren Cuff
Liberal Studies major*

through encouragement of women and men alike.

The idea being that by making these facilities available to young parents, those who consider abortion because of a desire to finish school may be able to do both.

Before the bill, Feminists for Life was using outreach programs at some of the most prominent schools across the United States including George-

town, Stanford, Northwestern and Berkeley.

Rather than avoiding the topic of pregnancy and the effects on one's life, students and educators alike spoke up about services that would benefit those with children.

In 1999, Michigan started similar programs in four colleges and found the programs were extremely successful according to handouts from the group.

Part of the success of the program was that the needs of young mothers were finally being acknowledged and met. Feminists for Life were "sparking a new revolution on campus[es]" said Feminists for Life.

The purpose is to give women another choice, a healthier alternative to abortion, by offering support and helping meet the needs of the mothers and fathers as well as children.

The bill is named after Elizabeth Cady Stanton who is often noted for her participation at the Seneca Falls Convention and her beliefs in the rights of women.

The Elizabeth Cady Stanton Pregnancy and Parenting Student Services Act

***Bill that is currently in the U.S. Senate**

***Proposes a grant of \$10 million to be used to create pregnancy centers at 200 college campuses**

***Centers would include family housing, child care, maternity coverage resources and counseling**

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WSU competes in national Ethics Bowl

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A team of five Wright State University undergraduate students took third place in the Seventh Annual Midwestern Regional Ethics Bowl in November.

Placing third in the event earned them an invitation to the National Intercollegiate Ethics Bowl in Jacksonville, Florida on March 2.

"The Ethics Bowl is a great chance to participate in an academic competition and improve my public speaking ability," said team captain Jen Rammel.

"Not only is the competitive aspect rewarding, but I became great friends with team members from this year and past," Rammel added.

In addition to captain Jen Rammel, the Ethics Bowl team is made up of: Mike Boehringer, Amanda Marsh, Daniel J. Furman, Matthew Watson and coach Dr. Joseph A. Petrick.

In an Ethics Bowl competition, a moderator will randomly select one of fifteen morally challenging questions to present to a team.

The team has sixty seconds to confer, and then responds by presenting its case analysis and resolution in ten minutes said Petrick.

An opposing team has five minutes

of rebuttal, and then a panel of judges and experts responds with follow up questions.

The judges score a team based on clarity, focus, depth and logic on a zero to twenty scale. After six matches, the team with the most points wins said Petrick.

Undergraduate students now have the opportunity to try out for Wright State's award-winning ethics bowl team. Three openings are currently available for the national competition to be held in Jacksonville, Florida on March 22, 2006.

"This is a great opportunity," Petrick said. "It will develop leadership and problem solving skills among many others."

Interested students should download the necessary forms at the WSU Ethics Bowl website

www.wright.edu/~joseph.petrick and call Dr. Petrick 775-2428 for an interview as soon as possible. There is no cost associated with this activity.

"Certainly hard work and dedication are required of a good team member; attendance within team meetings is also important along with the ability to reason and use one's mind to debate effectively" said team member Daniel Furman.

First annual Health Fair comes to campus

■ Event sponsored by the Minority Association of Pre-med Students

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The Wright State Minority Association of Pre-med Students started a tradition last week with their first annual health fair.

"We wanted to bring awareness to the WSU community about STDs, diabetes, and others," said group president Nastassja Cockrell.

The event titled "Getting to Know the Healthy Side of You" included booths from Mary Kay, Greene County Combined Health District, Sound Community Mental Health Center and others.

Booths passed out stress testing rulers, lollipops and condoms among other things.

There were also two video presentations one on STDs and AIDS and one on diabetes.

Also there were guest speakers from different area health centers.

"I hope students learn how to stay healthy while being in college," said Cockrell.

She said that she thinks unprotected sex is the biggest health risk facing college students.

"I came out here because there are so many of us young people who don't know about sex and STDs and the proper precautions to prevent them," said junior health and physical education major Kerry Eugene.

"They offer information people need to know like about unsafe sex. I think it is very informational," said senior math major Chereese McBeath.

The event took place Thursday in the Student Union atrium.

In the future Cockrell said, "I hope it gets bigger, the community responds and other people want to support it."



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Cherone Smith, the vice president of MAPS, shares some closing remarks at the end of the Health Fair.

Credit card offers plague college students

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The Wright State University Alumni Association has come into agreement with MBNA, and is sending credit card promotions to WSU students by the thousands.

Carolyn Staruch, an administrative specialist in the department of social work here at WSU and mother of a freshman said, "My daughter received mail from the WSU Alumni Association promoting a credit card to 'support WSU and show school pride.'"

What about the very serious problem of credit card debt among college students?"

According to a study by the Consumer Federation of America, about 70 percent of students at four-year colleges have at least one credit card, and revolving debt on those cards averages more than \$2,000.

"WSU should be promoting financial responsibility as part of the education of the students, not the opposite," said Staruch.

Peter Carusone of the marketing department had a different view. "We can't shelter our students from the real world, nor should we."

He continued to point out that on campus there are plenty of resources available to help students assess offers and promotions that may or may not be in their interests.

Executive Director of Alumni Relations Susan Smith said the Wright State University Alumni Association has an affinity agreement with MBNA, as do over 700 other colleges and universities

in the U.S. The company does not offer pre-approved credit lines and is careful to allow modest credit limits.

"We are certainly not 'promoting credit card debt' but we do believe that it is important for students to understand the importance of establishing and maintaining a good credit rating," she added.

CNN reported that 52 percent of college students get credit cards to build credit history, but 64 percent



end up using the cards for non-essentials.

Freshman Sarah Brody admitted, "I got a credit card for emergency purposes only, but then I had it when I went shopping and everything I wanted became an 'emergency'."

Dr. Joseph Keferl, assistant professor and advisor in the department of human services said, "Just as good credit can and should be established early, overspending and debt can overwhelm a student very quickly—particularly if they are just beginning their college

careers."

Smith made known the fact that the Alumni Association's partnership with this affinity program allows them to fund many programs and special projects at WSU that have a direct impact on the students.

Student services officer Sandy Gilbert said, "Our debate should not center around whether to endorse credit (cards or loans) for WSU students, but how we can ensure that our students are informed consumers who borrow (and repay) responsibly."

Freshman nursing major Angela Morris said, "College students shouldn't have credit cards to begin with."

Credit Cards

Who's offering them?

- The WSU Alumni Association is partnership with MBNA

Why?

- "... we do believe that it is important for students to understand the importance of establishing and maintaining a good credit rating," said Susan Smith, director of the WSU Alumni Association

Did you know...?

70% of college students have a credit card

And...?

-Debts on those cards average more than \$2000

Student Government working on promised campus projects

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Student Government is looking forward to a busy winter quarter with a variety of projects involving both programming and university policy. "We are focusing on a balance between programming and policy" said vice president Molly McGraw.

Increased enthusiasm at athletic events is a goal for Student Government this quarter. A spirit bus is being planned to take students to the Butler game on January 28th.

The event will be free to students, although a \$5 refundable charge is required to hold a seat. The trip will include admission and a t-shirt. Interested students should contact Courtney Cunningham at Cunningham.37@wright.edu.

Also to increase enthusiasm, a Student Government and Faculty/Staff appreciation night are being planned for future basketball games.

A goal for this year is to reach all students, commuters, residents, and what Student Government calls "Off Campus Residents." Off Campus Residents are students who live close enough to the university to walk, but are still off campus.

Work continues on several ongoing projects. Among these is the effort to get Wright 1 Card Flex dollar use off campus said president James Borchers.

Another ongoing project is a designated driver program. Several options have been investigated, and right now the focus is on a "Magic Bus," a campus shuttle that would run Friday and Saturday and make stops at popular off



Student Government members Ed Gemin, Courtney Cunningham and Kelly Rene Combs discuss upcoming plans the organization has.

campus locations said Borchers. However, cost is a major object in this project.

"I think the designated driver program is a good idea," said graduate student Andrew Barry. "It would get a lot of drunks off the road."

Student Government has had some success in working with the campus television station. Currently, the station shows only PowerPoint presentations. Student Government believes with a lit-

tle work the station could be made into a valuable tool for getting information to students.

Other projects include a proposal to build bike shelters.

Student Government is also working to place a LED sign with scrolling information on the wall in front of the Student Union. Many campus organizations would have the opportunity to post their information on the sign in an effort to reach more students.

Learn to stretch money after hours

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Most of the college population is on a tight budget and sometimes the choice for the week is to eat or make a beer run. Well hopefully these suggestions might help a dollar stretch a bit longer.

Some activities are cheap or free as long as students go with the mindset of spending little or no money. For example, checking out a local bookstore might allow a student to find an author he or she enjoys coming into town. If you don't have a favorite author, then the bookstore is a good place to find out more on numerous interesting subjects.

In that case, make it an outing and go with two or three friends and share information on various topics. Another suggestion would be window shopping, this is a little more dangerous because of the temptation to actually spend money, so this is not for the weak willed, but once again going with a friend or two window shopping can be fun.

If this is one of those weeks where there is a little left over to spend then you might want to try something new. Try going to the Air Force Museum or the Dayton Art Institute.

Instead of museums one might decide to try bargain night at the cinema. Locally there is Danbury Dollar Saver or Showcase Cinemas, both of which have \$1 admission night on Tuesdays.

However, if you are a mover and shaker, then try clubs. At the cover price of seven to ten dollars for all night, this is not only a great way to exercise and meet new people, but to let off some steam and save some money. Other suggestions include bowling and pool. These are both relatively inexpensive per game or hour.

As far as food goes, if you aren't that hungry a great way to go out and have a good time with friends or family would be to order appetizers instead of a meal during Happy Hour.

Most restaurants have discounted food and drinks at this time, so this can be a fun post movie, bowling or pool snack and a good way hang out with friends. This is also a good time to try a new appetizer that sounds delicious but is usually too expensive or a different type of drink such as sangria or new type of margarita.

Always look for opportunities to use your Wright One card as well and keep a mental note of places you go with discount nights or specials and check it out.

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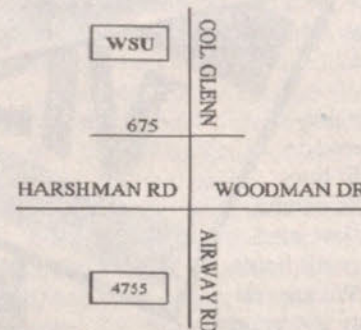
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American liquor baron dies at 86

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W.O. Wright's said that Jägerbombs are one of the three most popular drinks ordered by college students at their bar.

Some students choose just the straight shot, "No Red Bull for me," said organizational leadership major Tom Kitts.

"I just take the Jäger straight down and chase it with Budweiser," Kitts added.

Students may be sad to see that the man that made this possible, American distributor of imported German liquor Jägermeister and founder of Grey Goose vodka, Sidney Frank died last week at age 86 of heart failure.

Frank discovered Jägermeister in 1974 at a small bar in New York City. After the discovery he decided to begin distributing Jägermeister across the United States.

Before Frank got involved Jägermeister sold around 600 cases per year in America.

The popularity of Jägermeister rose and last year about two million cases were sold.

This large increase in sales along

with the \$2.3 billion dollar fortune he acquired after selling Grey Goose to Bacardi placed Frank at number 164 on Forbes 400 Richest Americans List.

"This guy is an innovator and an American hero," said finance major Mike Lewis.

Seeing the connection between males, sex and alcohol Frank invented the Jägerettes.

The Jägerettes are attractive women with revealing clothing trying to get males to down shots of Jägermeister. The Jägerettes also come to concerts such as Ozzfest.

Jägermeister has sponsored heavy metal over the years and brought numerous concerts featuring bands such as Disturbed, Slayer and Hatebreed to the area.

Frank founded Grey Goose vodka in 1997 because he wanted to be able to serve people a "super-premium" vodka.

In addition to the role he played in alcohol sales he also believed in giving back to the community.

According to Forbes, he donated money to the American Heart Association, the Robin Hood Foundation and Brown University.

America's Jägermeister

Name: Sidney Frank

-Began distributing Jägermeister in the U.S. in 1974.

-Founded Grey Goose vodka in 1997

-Sold Grey Goose to Bacardi for \$2.3 billion

-164 on Forbes' Richest Americans List

-Created the Jägerettes in 1986

-Frank said Jägermeister tasted like root beer, black licorice and Vicks Formula 44

Popular Drinks with Jägermeister

-Jager Bomb – Drop a shot of Jägermeister into a glass of Red Bull. Drink it all at once.

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Professor receives grant for 'Eyes in the Skies'

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Wright State engineering professor Lang Hong recently received an \$80,000 grant to be part of the "Eyes in the Skies" program.



Lang Hong

There is a need to identify potential attackers in urban combat situations, and research with "Eyes in the Skies" works to aid in such instances. Hong told sources, "The goal of our research is to provide the Air Force with the ability to protect an airfield with 'eyes' in the air to reduce the risk of attack from enemy forces."

Unmanned Air Vehicles (UAVs) are small airplanes that provide security in war zones through low altitude flights and serve as the "eyes."

The UAVs are equipped with high technology cameras that can identify movements on the ground and relay this information to appropriate military control centers, said Hong.

A multitude of sensors are used for this identification and tracking, and the professor's field of sensor fusion involves integrating this sensor data to

obtain a complete and accurate description of the environment.

Foliage, weather and terrain greatly affect sensor readings. The use of sensor fusion can significantly reduce the impact of many variables regarding the ability to identify, track and assess targets.

Hong has been a member of the College of Engineering and Computer Science faculty since 1989 and has received more than \$2 million in recent years for his sensor fusion and tracking related research.

History major Margaret Sullivan expressed, "I would appreciate the research more if it could also work for real people and their lives."

According to the article UAVs: Poised to Fly in Civilian Skies from Design News, a magazine for mechanical and design engineers, the future may include civilian applications of UAVs.

The article says that UAVs will be used for air traffic control and traffic reports.

Another use of UAVs listed in the article is letting farmers know when their hard to reach crops are ready for harvest.

Parisian may go on sale

■ Parisian has 40 stores nationwide, one in Fairfield Commons opened in 1993

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Saks Inc. announced Monday that they are considering selling the chain of 40 Parisian department stores.

The sale could potentially leave a huge hole in the middle of malls across southeast and midwest America, including the Fairfield Commons Mall.

This announcement is just after Saks Inc. said it would sell a total of 142 stores to the owners of Elder-Beerman, Bon-Ton Stores Inc. according to the Cox News Service.

Although considering the sell the Parisian chain, Parisian is continuing to expand with three new stores planned to open in 2006 and one for 2007.

The Parisian store began with two

sisters, Bertha and Estella Sommers in 1887 in Birmingham, Alabama.

In 1983 Parisian began to spread and became a public retail store.

Saksincorporated said Parisian tries to differ from other stores by offering a "higher level of personalized service."

Saksincorporated.com also said they offer "a balanced assortment of better-priced brands and unique products."

"Service has always been at the core of our company—it's integral to our values," said Steve Sadova, Vice Chairman and Chief Operating Officer of Saks Incorporated on the Saks Incorporated website.

The Parisian store in the Fairfield Commons mall opened in 1993 and has been a spot for student shoppers ever since.

"It's cleaner and better than everywhere else," said sophomore nursing major Brittany Wagner.

"They have a more upscale selection. My favorite things in the store are the shoes and purses," Wagner added.

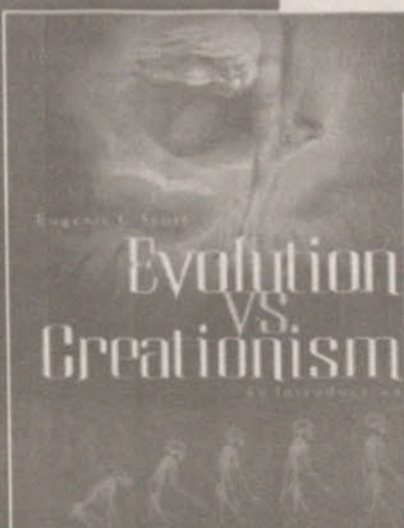
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Editorial

Students need to slow down

Some may claim that life here at WSU is fast-paced, but the same doesn't have to be true in the parking lots.

Each morning, students rush through the entrances in a race to get the best parking spots. Although WSU has changed the layout of the lots in an effort to make them more pedestrian-friendly, this has not changed the dangers still prevalent to those walking to class.

The newly added speed bumps are little in the way of obstacles as students speed through the lots. Many drive over these large speed bumps, which are also crosswalk zones, too fast.

Apparently the potential damage to the front end of one's car is not enough of a consequence to make a person slow down. Perhaps when a driver hits a student because of going too fast will open the eyes of commuters at WSU.

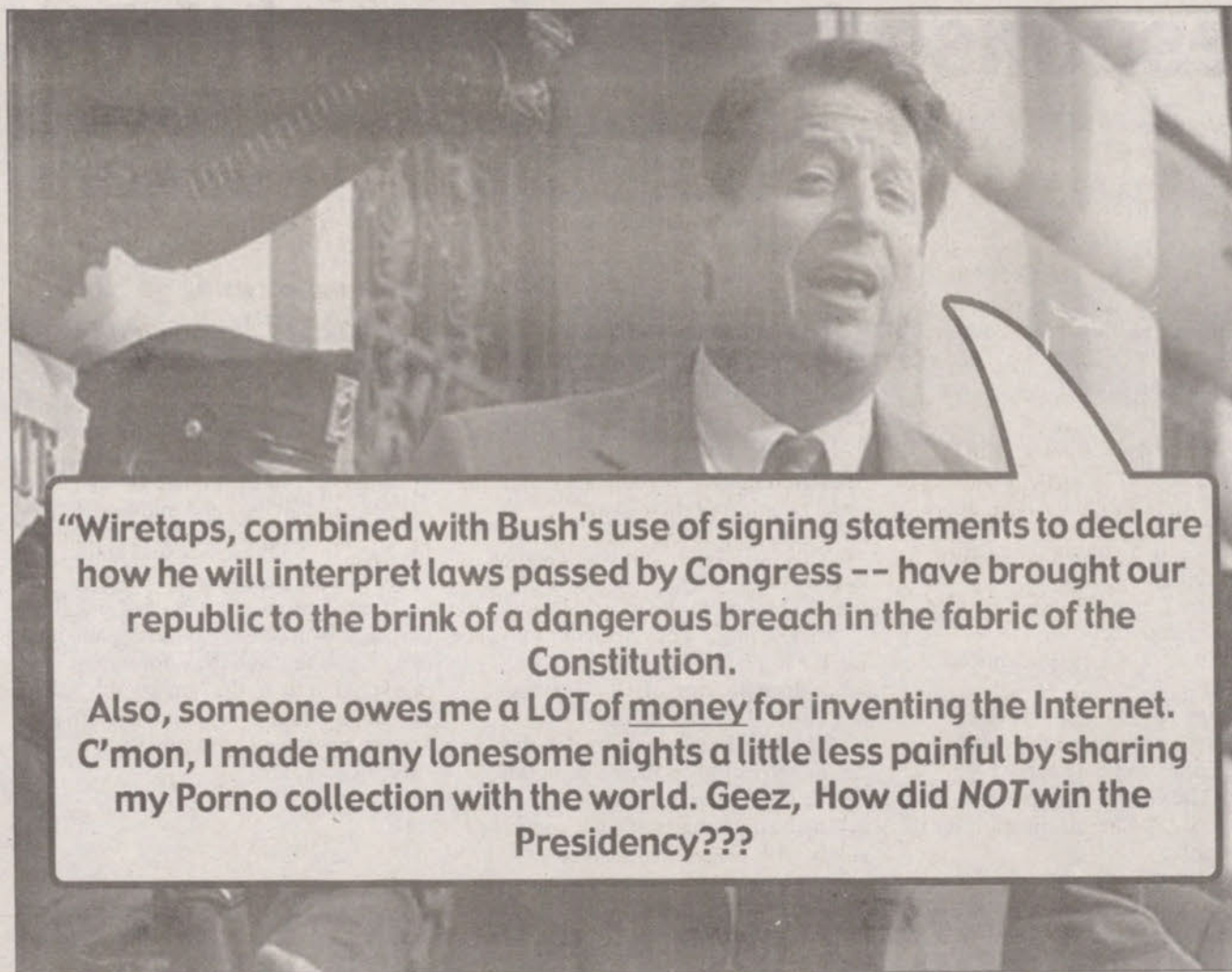
Speed limits are posted in the parking lots for a reason. They are there to protect the safety of drivers and pedestrians.

Campus police does patrol the parking areas and are known to sit and wait for speeding drivers. Speeding tickets on campus can have just as steep a price as those given on a regular road-way.

Also, if a speeding driver were to hit a pedestrian (who by law has the right of way whenever crossing the roadway) could be charged with reckless endangerment or manslaughter. Is it really worth it just to get a better parking spot?

A solution to this problem would be for campus police to post more officers and speed traps around campus to catch reckless drivers. Their presence alone will dissuade some from speeding, while having a no tolerance policy for those caught will dissuade others.

The easiest solution would be for students to take their time getting through the lots. This will encourage other drivers to take it slow and be more safe.



Kyle Akers / The Guardian

"Wiretaps, combined with Bush's use of signing statements to declare how he will interpret laws passed by Congress -- have brought our republic to the brink of a dangerous breach in the fabric of the Constitution.

Also, someone owes me a LOT of money for inventing the Internet. C'mon, I made many lonesome nights a little less painful by sharing my Porno collection with the world. Geez, How did NOT win the Presidency???

Letters to the Editor

WSU has something to get excited about

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This might be something to get out there to get people going to the games: WSU is listed as a 15 seed on espn.com's bracketology, so we're starting to get some national credit.

We've also got some votes from the mid-major rankings at <http://www.collegeinsider.com>.

Oh, yeah, and our RPI is higher than UD's, so we've got some good trash talking material.

Reader responds to Jan. 4 edition

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I am glad to see that The Guardian is getting back on track after the 'Sex Edition' eyesore. If I wanted to read about the top porno flicks or how to

sleep with more than one person I would buy a magazine made for those things.

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-Nick Schwieterman

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A student newspaper should be in touch with the student body and report on issues that actually affect students.

Why not focus on why no more parking spots have been allotted to students while the staff spots continue to rise?

Who made the horrible design of the new campus and what are they going to do about it? Dig up some stories, make some ruckus, you are the voice of the WSU Raiders! Do something productive.

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Response to Garringer letter

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In response to Jeff Garringer's letter, while I do agree that The Guardian needs to raise its standards regarding grammar and spelling, I must disagree with his contention that sex-related articles are "inappropriate" in a college newspaper.

Putting aside the inferred paternalism that adult students must be protected from mentions of "S-E-X" as though we were children, it is a serious mistake to call "inappropriate" articles which informed students of the benefits, risks, and complications associated with sexual activity.

Which yes, Virginia, students do engage in.

You may not like or approve of it, but this does not change the reality.

Such issues can only serve to improve The Guardian's stature as a purveyor of relevant information for its demographic.

Articles that warn students of the

prevalence of sexually transmitted diseases, discusses methods of birth control and the options available regarding unplanned pregnancy can hardly be called sensationalist.

Also articles that present some basic information on alternative methods of expressing sexuality and its impact on popular culture, and provide information for someone who is dealing with the tragedy of sexual harassment and abuse, can hardly be called sensationalist.

Unless, that is, one automatically equates any mention of sex with unnecessarily or "wrong" prurient behavior and/or information (as dictated, of course, by one's own moral standards).

Mr. Garringer ends his letter by voicing the hope that he is not the sole voice disapproving of The Guardian's sex issue. I'm sure he isn't.

However, being concerned with who has more people on their side in this debate is missing the point.

The best journalism is not concerned solely with presenting the majority opinion.

It is concerned with conveying some

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-Rachel Summers

measure of truth.

These articles, particularly the ones focusing on STDs and sexual abuse, could literally save lives.

If one human life, yes even one life, is spared unnecessary suffering and an early death through the information presented to us in the January 4th edition, then I would say that these articles are not only appropriate, they are entirely necessary.

Pilgrimage to Ka'bah is important

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Quoting from The Holy Qur'an, Chapter Al-Hajj 22:27-34, 'And proclaim unto men the Pilgrimage. They will come to thee on foot, and on every lean camel, coming by every distant, deep track.' We see the importance of The Pilgrimage.

The site of the Ka'bah had existed long before Abraham's time. In fact, the Ka'bah was built by Adam. It was the first house of worship built in the world (3:97). Surely, the first house founded for all mankind is that at Becca, abounding in blessings and guidance for all peoples.

In it are manifest signs; and whoso enters it, is safe. And pilgrimage to the House is a duty which men, those who can find a way thither, owe to Allah.

By the time of Abraham it had fallen into ruins and its site having been disclosed to him by revelation. He and his son Ishmael, The Holy Prophet's great progenitor, rebuilt it.

The Ka'bah is variously mentioned in The Qur'an as 'My House' (2:126 & 22:27), 'The Sacred House' (14:38), and 'The Sacred Mosque' (2:151) among others. All these different appellations point to the eminence of the Ka'bah as the greatest center of worship for mankind.

Circumambulation of The Sacred Mosque is the most important ceremony

of The Pilgrimage. The Pilgrimage as an institution began with The Patriarch Abraham as the words 'And proclaim unto men The Pilgrimage (22:28)' show.

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It was not an idolatrous institution incorporated into Islam by The Holy Prophet to conciliate the idol-worshipping Arabs as some Christian writers have been led to think. From the time of Abraham, pilgrimage has continued without break to this day.

The gathering in Mecca of millions of Muslims from distant lands every year bears an irrefutable testimony to

the fulfillment of this prophecy.

Apart from the spiritual good that The Pilgrimage does to a Muslim, it possesses great social and political significance.

It also possesses great potentialities to weld Muslims of different nationalities into one strong international brotherhood of Islam.

Muslims from all parts of the world, who meet at Mecca once a year can exchange views on matter of international importance, renew old and establish new contacts.

They have opportunities to acquaint themselves with problems that confront their brethren in faith in other countries, as well as profit by one another's experience, and to cooperate with one another in many other ways.

Mecca being God's appointed 'Center of Islam', the Pilgrimage can serve as a sort of United Nations organization for the whole of the Muslim world.

Man is the noblest creation of God, so if he degrades himself so low as to worship lifeless objects, he falls, as it were, from the heights of spiritual eminence to the depths of moral and intellectual degradation.

The object underlying the commandments and ordinances of Islam is to inculcate righteousness and purity of heart.

All Islamic rites and acts of worship are only means that lead to this supreme goal.

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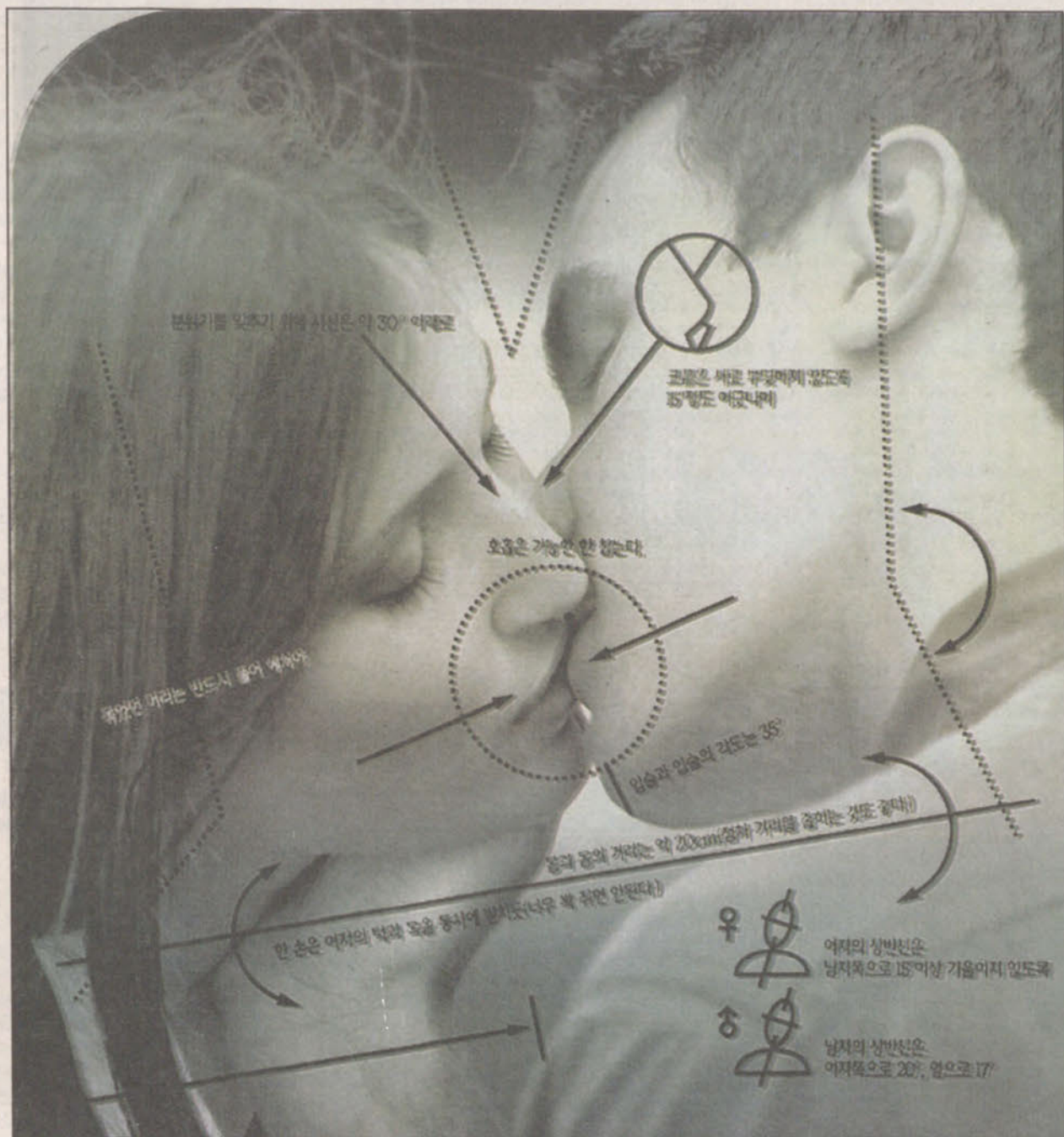
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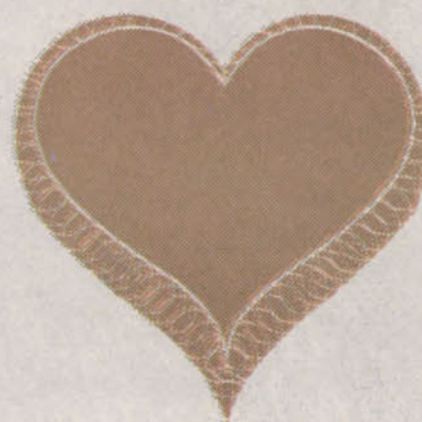
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Pucker up for new skills at UAB event



Kyle Akers / The Guardian



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On Jan. 18 the University Activities Board is hosting an event that will lead students into a kissing frenzy. The UAB will be teaching students based on William Crane's book "The Art of Kissing." It will take place at 7 p.m. in the Apollo Room in the Student Union. Students will be taught 30 different ways to kiss, how to make their make-out sessions more interesting, where men and women like to be kissed best (based on an internet survey) and bizarre kissing customs from around

the world. Katie Perilman, UAB Traditions Chair, thinks students should come for several reasons. "It's free and let's face it, not a lot of events are free these days. It promises laughs and excitement. You cannot predict what will happen at all," she said. Perilman got the idea for this event when she attended the annual National Association for Campus Activities conference. She received a promotional DVD for the "Art of Kissing." She and the other members of UAB thought that it was "entertaining and hilarious" and "the kind of show students would like to see."

Of course many of us have been kissing for many years now, and we all seem to know what we are doing and what works for us. But what better way is there to fine-tune our smooching skills, especially right before Valentines Day? If you think that you know it all when it comes to kissing, Perilman added, "I would like to see someone show me 30 different ways to kiss someone and then I'll let them slide." "I think that the event sounds really fun and interesting, but I don't think my kissing needs any work," said Brian Morris, a communications major. Gillian Kusmik, a psychology major,

said, "I would love to come. I'm all about becoming a better kisser." However, some are not so keen on the idea. Psychology major Nik Hunt said, "There is no way that I'd go. I can't believe the campus is hosting something like that." Even so, if you are brave and willing to learn a skill that will help you become a better smoocher, then you should attend this event. You will be taught 30 different ways to kiss, so how can you be missing out? The lecturer will have demonstrations, and participants will be picked from the crowd, so bring your mints and Chapstick.

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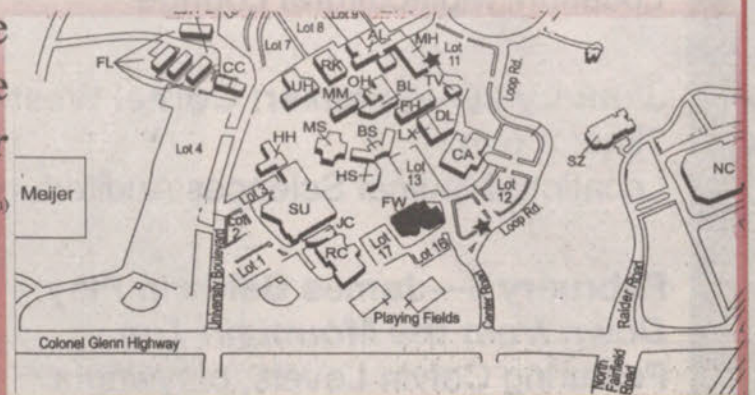
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Winter Ball scheduled

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Dancing the night away is something that almost all college students have done. Now the Office of Residence Services is putting on an event that will let us do that right here on campus.

The New Year's Winter Ball is back for 2006 with the theme "Behind the Times." Students can come in costume, dressed as a famous person dead or alive or to come dressed in a formal gown or suit.

The ball will be on Thursday, Jan. 19 from 7:00 p.m.-midnight in the Berry Room at the Nutter Center. Advanced tickets cost \$15 a couple, or \$10 for a single. They can be purchased at the Office of Residence Services any day or Wednesday and Thursday at the Hangar from 11 a.m.-1 p.m.

If you buy the tickets at the door, it will cost you \$15 for a single and \$20 for a couple.

"This will be a great opportunity to provide social activities for the students," said Joe Berthiaume, Associate Director of Residence Services. For many years, Residence Services has provided this fun-filled event for students.

A deejay will provide music, while the catering company at the Nutter Center will be providing heavy appetizers, chicken and several other snacks and non-alcoholic drinks.

Co-sponsors include the Office of Student Activities and Student Government. Proceeds from the ball will go to the Residence Services Scholarship fund.

"I'm really excited because I think the theme of Winter Ball this year is cool and I got this really sweet 1920s dress at The Look," said Jaime Capozziello, a biological sciences major.

If needed, students with disabilities can call 775-4177 for transportation.

Fan base for Ohio sports grows

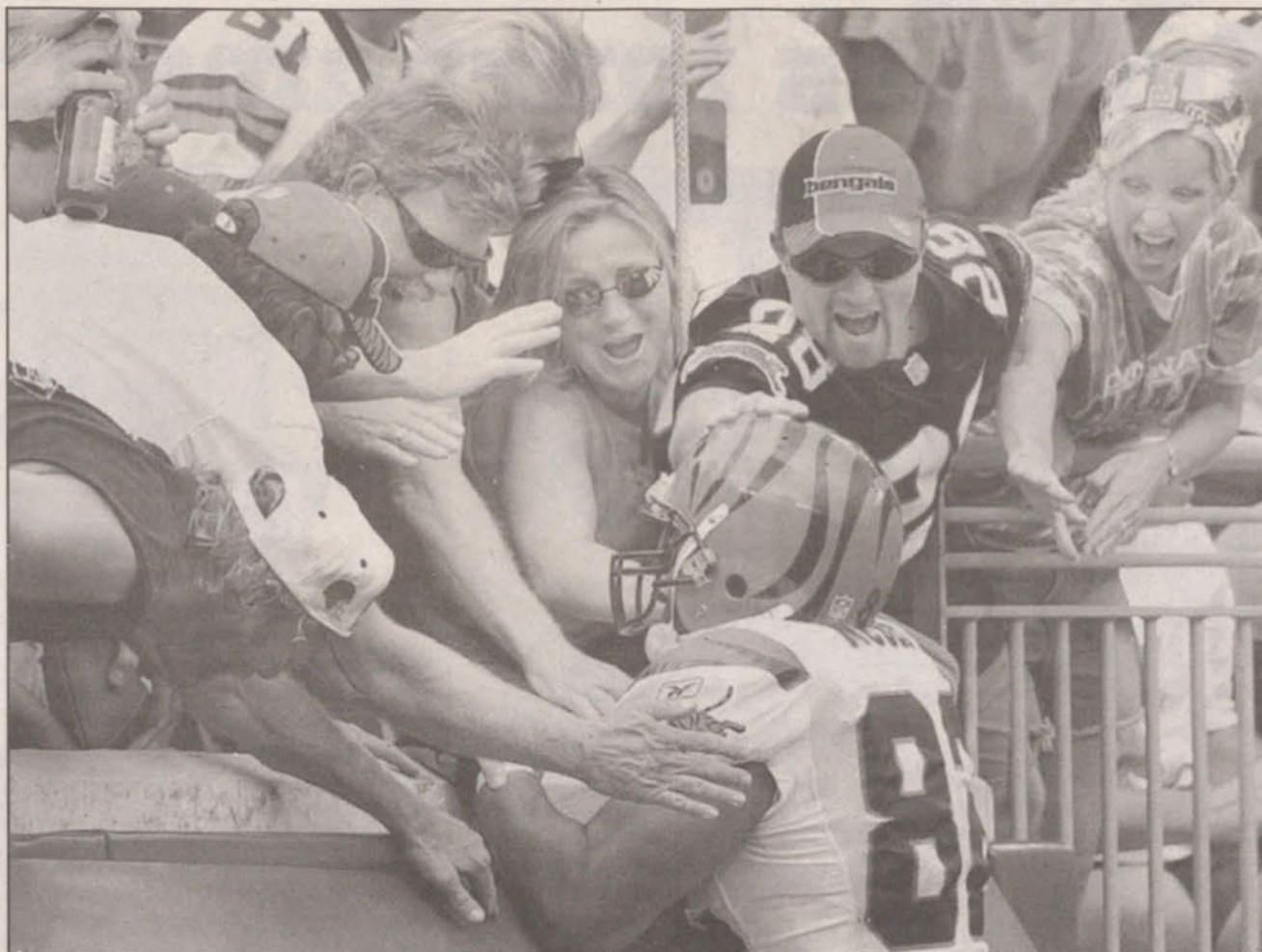


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Ohio football teams, such as the Bengals and the Buckeyes, have seen their fan base grow over the last few years. Some argue that it's because of "bandwagon" fans who choose to identify with the winning team even if they aren't interested in sports.

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A fever swept over Wright State's campus this football season with teams like the Ohio State Buckeyes and the Cincinnati Bengals garnering successful records. With no football team of their own, students have stayed true to their roots and some have jumped on the bandwagon to support these teams on both the college and professional levels.

But has popularity for these two teams overshadowed the original fan base?

One thing's for sure, sales for Bengals merchandise have gone through the roof as a result of the team's most successful season in 15 years.

"The sales are definitely way up from last year. It's understandable; it's been 15 years since they've had a playoff appearance, and this season's really given people something to be excited about," said Joe Young, a manager at Cardboard Heroes in the Mall at Fairfield Commons.

Young said that the sales for Bengals merchandise usually depends on how well the season is going, and he characterized this year's as being "phenomenal."

Still more phenomenal, or even shocking, is the level of commitment that diehard fans feel for their teams. In an arena that has long encouraged

sportsmanship and camaraderie, a few Bengals fans were so upset over the playoff loss to the Steelers that they started a brawl with opposing fans in a Dayton bar. Five arrests resulted, and the bar's owner was sent to the hospital after some of the fans assaulted him and other employees.

Engaging in fisticuffs or not, WSU

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**-Ben Coyle
senior management major**

students displayed scarlet and gray or orange and black to show which team they were rooting for. Dedicated to the "Bucks," The Buckeye Room in the Mall at Fairfield Commons also witnessed greater sales during the football season.

"It was pretty impressive considering it's obviously not the same as it was a couple years ago when they won the national championship," said Manager Kevin Kuntz.

"I wouldn't necessarily say it's

because of bandwagon fans. The more success that any team has, the more people are going to be willing to get stuff to support their teams. People get caught up in the fact that the team is doing so well and they want to do whatever they can to show their support," he added.

Senior Management major Ben Coyle has been a fan of both teams since childhood. "I think it's cool that people are giving good fan support this year because they need it, but I don't think people should be fair-weather fans," he said. "I've been a fan since the glory days, and I watch them every week while rockin' my jersey," he added.

Young agreed that bandwagon fans were especially present with the Bengals this season.

"I'm sure there were a few of those people that jump on whichever team is the favorite team. They want to be associated with a winner even if they're not interested in sports themselves," said Young.

Mindy Franks, a junior accounting major, said that she began supporting both Ohio teams last year when she met her boyfriend.

But whether it's due to fans that follow the crowd or those that are truly dedicated, Ohio had a lot to be proud of when the post-season stadium lights went out.

Get your dance on at DDR Madness tournament

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photo courtesy of Scott Cornell

Senior mechanical engineering major Scott Cornell shows off his free-style dance moves during a game of Dance Dance Revolution. Cornell suggests the following establishments to practice your DDR technique: Magic Castle in Kettering, the Dayton Mall, Putt Putt Golf and Games in Springfield and at 180 Skatepark in Huber Heights. However, the game is no longer available in the Student Union.

"I do DDR for the exercise. I'm not in it for the chicks," said Scott Cornell, a senior mechanical engineering major.

Whether you do it for the ladies or for your own physical enhancement, the University Activities Board will be hosting Dance Dance Revolution Madness on Friday, Jan. 20 from 6-10 p.m. in 109 Oelman Hall.

Dance Dance Revolution is a popular Japanese video game that is played on a dance pad with four arrow panels: up, down, left and right.

The player chooses a song to set the beat for which the arrows will appear, and presses the appropriate arrows with his or her feet as indicated by the directions on the screen.

The player advances to the next round depending on success of matching the steps with the arrows on the screen.

The UAB will have three separate tournaments based on difficulty level: novice, moderate or dance master.

Sixteen people can register for each tournament, and participation is open to all students. The activity is completely free.

"Contestants will compete head-to-head against one another in four rounds in the tournament," explained Mike George, major events chairman for the UAB. "Whoever receives the most points from each match wins and advances to the next round," he said. "The winner of the final round is considered the winner of that particular level tournament," George said.

PlayStation 2 (PS2) consoles and mats will be used for the competition.

While the actual tournament will take place in the front of the lecture hall with the game being projected onto the big screen, several other televisions will be set up for those who wish to play DDR without entering one of the three tournaments.

UAB will be purchasing PS2 versions of the game for the tournament and will be giving them away as prizes to the tournament winners. Other prizes will include DDRMax 2 for PS 2, non-slip PS2 DDR pads and Best Buy gift cards.

Free pizza and soda will also be provided at the tournaments.

Registration begins at 6 p.m., and the novice tournament will begin at 7 p.m., the moderate tournament will begin at 8 p.m., and the dance master tournament will begin at 9 p.m.

"I hope that we can continue to hold more tournaments and that this becomes a bigger, better event next time," said George.

Several students on campus enjoy playing the game, and some are interested in participating in the tournament.

"I do DDR just to make an idiot out of myself with other people," said Tommy Gagen, a freshman with an undecided major.

WSU Ski Club takes to

THE SLOPES



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Whether it's joining to meet new people, the pizza parties or actual interest in skiing or snowboarding, Wright State University's Ski Club is one of the most popular student and faculty groups on campus.

"We just want to have a good time with good friends," said Dave McDermott, co-president of the Ski Club. With various ski trips scheduled throughout the year and club socials, the club does plenty of that.

The ski club has a few trips scheduled for Mad River Mountain but sometimes those slopes can't compete with the real ones.

With two big trips a year, the group members get to ski or snowboard in different states and on bigger mountains.

"We went to Aspen, Colorado last year, and to Park City, Utah this year," McDermott said. "The second big trip is during spring break. Snowshoe, West Virginia has been the choice spot for the last couple of years, but this year we plan to

make our way up north to Holiday Valley, New York," he explained.

Joining the Ski Club is only \$20 a year, and includes your membership, T-shirt, a mug and many other benefits.

They include discounts on big ski trips, at local ski shops, automatic invites to Ski Club parties and a discounted season pass to Mad River Mountain.

"The best benefits by far, though, are the friendships acquired," said McDermott.

With 119 members, the ski club is able to rent out equipment at a very low

price to members with expertise ranging from experts to people who have never skied in their lives.

"I have only been skiing once before and I joined with my roommate, Ashley," said Joanna Begich, an Early Childhood Education and Business major.

"I ended up fracturing two ribs like the second day but I still boarded the rest of the trip. It was probably one of the best trips ever," she added.

Ski Club presents many fond memories as well.

McDermott recalled "a certain someone, we'll call him Joe, who was found lying butt-naked on the floor in the wrong room one very foggy morning in Snowshoe."

Jeremy Buchanan (pictured at left), a marketing and international business major, highly suggests ski club to all Wright State students.

"I joined ski club just to get into some campus activities," Buchanan said. "It's a great way to meet people and have some fun. Our president puts a lot of time into the club and throws the sickest parties," he added.

Students who are interested should check out <http://www.wsuskiclub.com> for more information.

New music unleashes hits and misses



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HIM
Dark Light
3/5 Stars

The darkness is finally taking over America. "Dark Light," the new album from HIM, is finally debuting in America with ten new songs about pain, loneliness and vampires.

Ville Valo (vocals), Mige (bass), Linde (guitar), Burton (keyboards) and Gas (drums) have put together an album that could easily be the soundtrack to a Tim Burton film, or just be what those crazy goth-neo-metal kids rock out to.

But Burton's keyboard playing makes this album more enjoyable than that. Songs such as "Dark Light" and "Play Dead" sound close to a few songs from 80's band The Smiths.

Other songs on the album are a little heavier, but melody can still be found throughout the distorted guitar riffs and heavy drum playing.

All of the musicians are talented. The lyrics are, for the most part, well written. For some reason, it just doesn't seem to fit. Sometimes Valo's voice is too high; other times it's too low. The songs seem to be slow and long. Better luck next time.



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Supergrass
Road to Rouen
4/5 Stars

Led Zeppelin, Sly and the Family Stone and more recently Mars Volta fans should look into these bad boys.

Supergrass, while they have been around for quite some time, has a completely new style with "Road to Rouen."

Gaz Coombes (vocals, guitar), Mick Quinn (bass, vocals), Danny Goffey (drums) and Robert Coombes (keys) have put together this nine-track album by building their own studio and producing their own record.

The opening track, "Tales of Endurance," pulls you in, and you won't want to quit until the final track.

Goffey is one of the best drummers I've heard in a while, and Coombes' voice is very soothing.

The whole album is just a great one to kick back and relax to.

With reverb and echo effects on the guitar, the improvisation put on by these musicians is very exciting. I can now say I am a Supergrass fan.



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The Click Five
Greetings from Imrie House
1/5 Stars

MMMBop. That's all there is to say about The Click Five.

"Greetings from Imrie House" has proven the boy band era has not died, just matured to boy bands with guitars.

With recent stud muffins such as Fall Out Boy and The All-American Rejects, The Click Five, unfortunately, will fit right in.

"Greetings from Imrie House" is a constant reminder to single girls everywhere; we'll love you until we move on to the next teenybopper.

Eric Dill (vocals, guitar), Joe Guese (guitar, vocals), Ethan Mentzer (bass, vocals), Ben Romans (keyboards, vocals) and Joey Zehr (drums, vocals) put more emphasis on their shaggy hair and matching suits than their music writing or performance.

The song "Pop Princess" makes me want to scream in agony. The last track, "Say Goodnight," takes way too long to close out the album.

The Click Five, who ironically write some songs with Paul Stanley of Kiss, seems like they should have dance routines and sparkly matching outfits for their concerts.

I definitely won't find out first-hand.



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The Coral
The Invisible Invasion
5/5 stars

"People are strange, when they are strangers," Jim Morrison once sang for The Doors.

It seems like with his death, or at least disappearance, the psychedelic age of music has been dead. But The Coral says "we're not gonna take it anymore!"

Already reaching success in the U.K., The Coral is now releasing some material in America. Hooray, it's insanely good, and it will make your soul smile.

With the release of this album, James Skelly (guitar/vocals), Ian Skelly (drums/percussion), Nick Power (organ/vocals), Bill Ryder-Jones (guitar/trumpet), Lee Southall (guitar/vocals), Paul Duffy (bass/sax) and John Duffy (percussion) perform upbeat tunes like "Arabian Sand" and "The Operator."

With obvious influences from The Byrds and Love, The Coral seem to be bringing back that old 60's feel for rock and roll. Thank You.

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Sports

Struggles continue for women's basketball



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It was a split decision at home for the Lady Raiders this week as they captured the Horizon League win versus the Loyola Ramblers, but fell short on Saturday as they battled the Bulldogs of Butler.

Wednesday night action against Loyola proved to be an easy ride as the girls walked away with an 80-55 decision, tallying an incredible 39 turnovers.

Wright State jumped out early in the first half with Rhea Mays scoring eight of the Raiders first twelve points while the Raider defense held the Ramblers at zero. At the 15:46 mark, Loyola's Mandy Mennella was finally able to land a jump shot and put the Ramblers first points on the board.

The remainder of the first half faired evenly, but Wright State once again crept ahead with a 17-5 run early in the second period to seal the deal.

The Ramblers, despite their loss, out shot the Lady Raiders from the field, 47-40, and managed a 41-36 rebounding average. Wright State, however, held a 16-4 lead in fast-break points, and hustled 20 offensive rebounds.

Kendra Agee had a record-breaking game, marking a career-high 17 points. Mays also landed in double digits with 14 points and six steals while Brittany

Whiteside tallied 13 points, nine rebounds, and five assists.

"We are really working on getting our (defensive) system down," junior Stephanie Comisar said, happy with the win. "Our biggest weakness is ourselves...if we concentrate and focus, we can beat anyone."

On Saturday WSU had the tables turned on them by the Bulldogs, who handed the Raiders a 78-56 loss. Wright State was ahead by two at the half, but couldn't fend off the angry Bulldogs as they landed nine three-point shots and managed to shoot an incredible 65 percent within the last 20 minutes of play.

Mays led in points with 14, while Whitney Lewis pulled through with 13, and Whiteside landed nine.

Things were just as hectic on Monday when the women played on the road in Detroit where they were defeated 68-59.

The Raiders were able to stay tight most of the way through the game as they were down only five midway through the second half. But Detroit was able to seal the deal with a 14-4 run.

Whiteside had 19 points while Mays recorded 17.

The Raiders are now 6-10 for the season and 2-4 in Horizon League action. Their next game is away on Saturday at Loyola.

Tyanda Hammock looks for an open player.

Hockey Club ranked third in ACHA standings

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Wright State's Ice Hockey Club has a lot to be excited about right now. After starting the first half of their season off 13-1-1 the ACHA has them ranked third in the North Region of the ACHA.

This past weekend the Raiders hoped to continue their success as they traveled to Lansing Michigan for games on Friday and Saturday and back home for a game against Cincinnati on Monday.

Last season the Raiders went 1-1 against the Stars. This year the Raiders were hopeful of a clean sweep of the completion.

Starting with a late game Friday night, the Raiders kicked off the second half of the season with a 3-1 win over the Stars of Lansing Community College.

But the win didn't come easy for the Raiders. During the third period the Raiders were up 2-1.

After a penalty, the Stars were out for blood and were trying anything to tie up the score. But the Raider's proved to be too much for the Stars.

With the tough defense being dis-

played, the Raiders offense also stepped up. With seven minutes left in the game the Raiders put the game in the bag with another goal, 3-1.

Saturday would be a different story for the Raiders. LCC's goalie Evan Bateman would be a brick wall in front of the goal. Shot after shot, Bateman would knock any puck out of his way. On the game Bateman saved 31 of 32 shots.

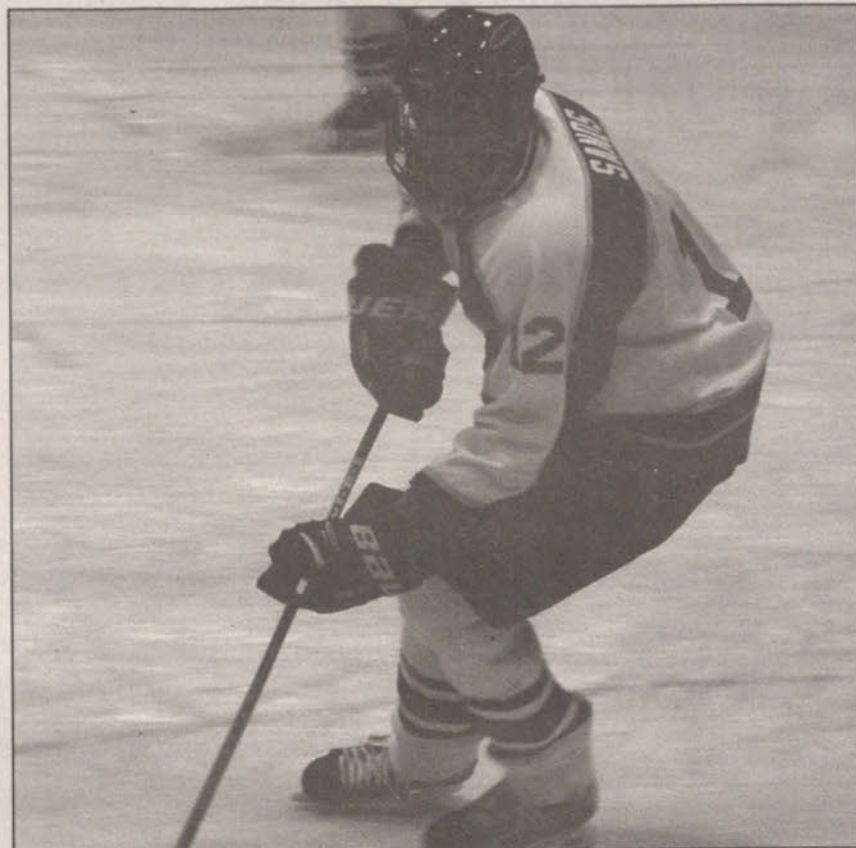
As tough as the Raider defense was, they couldn't stop Drew Weston. With the score tied up 1-1, Weston netted an unanswered goal to put the Stars up for good, 2-1, handing the Raiders just their second loss of the season.

Then on Monday Wright State simply pounded on the University of Cincinnati, 8-2.

Wright State was able to dominate possession of the puck for most of the game and were able to make good of it in the end.

Wright State is now 15-2-1 on the season.

The Raiders face Middle Tennessee State this upcoming weekend at Hara Arena. Game times are 8:30 p.m. on Friday night and 4:40 p.m. on Saturday.



Junior Matt Sands is on offense Monday against Cincinnati. The Raiders are now ranked third in the ACHA standings.

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Men remain perfect in league play



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DaShaun Wood jumps for the ball in competition this past week.

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Wright State's Men's basketball team is on a roll right now as they defeated the Youngstown Penguins 64-60 Thursday. The win put the Raiders at 8-6 on the season and 4-0 in the Horizon League.

YSU started off the game well as they led 19-12 off a John Barber jumper. But sophomore Jordan Pleiman was able to respond as he sparked a 10-0 run, with Pleiman scoring half of those points.

The Penguins wouldn't stand back as they regained their lead late in the half 29-26. Senior captain DaShaun Wood wasn't going to let that stand though as he closed the first half with a three pointer to put the Raiders up 35-33 at the break.

In the second half the Penguins stayed right with Wright State as the Raiders were never able to lead by more than eight. But late in the game

Junior Tyrone Scott hit a pointer to give the Raiders a boost of confidence.

"Tyrone hitting a big three from the corner with under five minutes to go," Pleiman said was the big turning point in the game.

With 24 seconds to go in the game Wood hit a pair of free-throws to put the Raiders up 64-56. The Penguins would spark a comeback but too little too late as the raiders got their fourth straight victory and fourth league win 64-60.

The Raiders shot the lights out, hitting 49 percent for the game and 18 of 22 foul shots. Five Raiders scored in double figures. Drew Burleson led the way with 15 followed by Wood with 12. Pleiman also added 14, as did Walter Chancellor off the bench. Also off the bench, Tyrone Scott had a big night scoring 10 points.

The Raiders go back into action on Thursday as the take on UW-Green-Bay in Wisconsin at 8:00 and Milwaukee on Saturday.

Basketball Standings

Men's Basketball

Women's basketball

School	League	Overall	School	League	Overall
WSU	4-0	8-6	UWGB	5-0	12-3
UWM	5-1	12-4	UWM	4-1	8-7
Butler	2-1	9-6	UIC	3-1	7-8
Detroit	3-3	9-10	Detroit	4-2	7-10
UWGB	2-3	8-9	Butler	3-2	7-8
CSU	2-3	6-9	WSU	2-4	6-10
Loyola	2-4	10-6	CSU	1-4	3-13
YSU	2-4	5-11	Loyola	1-4	1-15
UIC	1-4	8-9	YSU	0-5	4-12

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Burleson a big part of men's team

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The Men's basketball team is now 8-6 overall and 4-0 in the Horizon League and have a lot of credit to give to Drew Burleson, the 6-6 forward from Wheelersburg High School.

"I just want to get to the NCAA tournament. To make it there once is a big achievement."

-Drew Burleson

In high school Burleson led his team to a 21-3 record while receiving the Southern Conference Player of the Year award as well. There were several schools that offered Burleson scholarships, but he chose Wright State in the end.

"I thought the team had a good future," said Burleson about his decision to attend Wright State instead of some other Division I school. "Plus it's pretty close to home."

Since Burleson's arrival three years ago the men have had two consecutive 500 seasons and are looking as though they will have their first winning season since 2002.

To add to that, with a 4-0 start in the Horizon League this season, the Raiders may be looking at their first ever league championship since joining the Horizon League way back in 1994.

If that's the case one of Burleson's goals may be met this season: go to the NCAA tournament. In the event of the Raiders winning the league championship they will get an automatic bid to the "Big Dance."

"I just want to get to the NCAA tournament," said Burleson. "To make it there once is a big achievement."

In terms of after college, Burleson has two possible plans: he could play basketball overseas, or become a dentist. In the event of becoming a dentist Burleson says his basketball days may be over since he doesn't see himself as coach, only a player.

But until then Burleson is going to keep playing his role on the court and try to lead his team to a better record. Who knows, maybe his hard work will pay off and his goal of going to the NCAA tournament will be reached as soon as this season.



Drew Burleson has been a big part of the Raiders' success this season

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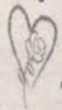
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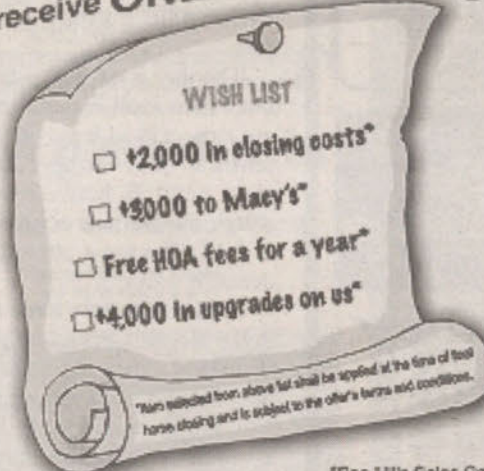
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Swim teams split competition at home

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The men's swimming and diving teams captured their fifth win of the season against Louisville on Saturday, winning 145-135, while the women, 4-3 for the season, fell just short with their score of 175-125.

The men faced-off in 16 events, winning seven, while the ladies took first in 6 of their 16 events.

Sophomore Scott Lang paced the water for the men as he took first in both the 500 and the 1000 freestyle,

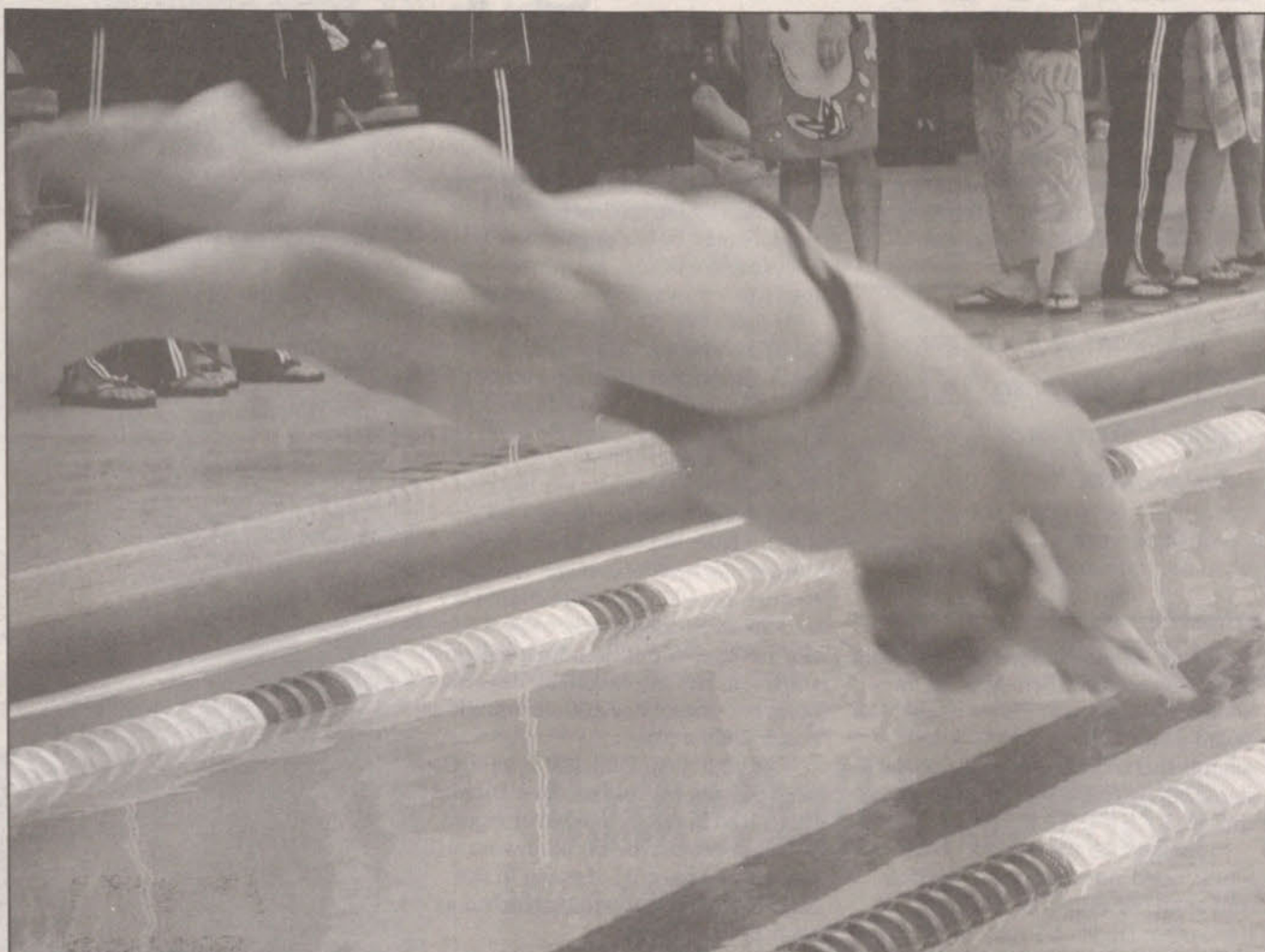
"The little things could really make or break us this season. We are really working on coming together as a team.."

-Rachael Early

with times of 4:40.54 and 9:41.23.

Warren Thompson, Elvis Cirikovic, William Ehresman, and Zach Fisher also earned first place finishes for the men.

Amy Cron and Svetlana Nepocatych shared the lead for the Lady Raiders as they both took two first place-finishes. Cron pulled ahead in the 100 and the 200 backstroke with her times of 59.45 and 2:09.45, while Nepocatych captured her wins in the 50 and 100 freestyle races with times of 24.83 and



Junior Will Ehresman dives into competition on Saturday. The defeated Louisville 145-135 while the women were not quite as successful in their 175-125 defeat.

53.59.

Also doing well for the women were Sarah Wyant and Jessica Weidert as they too recorded first place finishes.

"We need to improve on the little

things- turns, finishes," senior Rachel Early admitted after the meet. "The little things could really make or break us this season. We are really working on coming together as a team."

The Raiders will remain home next week with a match for the men against Miami on Friday afternoon, and a match for both teams against Western Kentucky on Saturday at 4 p.m.

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SG offers free trip to Butler

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The Wright State Student Government is sponsoring a shuttle from Wright State to Butler University on Saturday January 28 to watch both the men's and women's basketball games. The event is an effort to support both athletic events and school spirit.

"We picked this date because both the men and women play," said Courtney Cunningham, who is heading the event. "Plus it's only a two hour bus ride."

The day is expected to be very busy but fun as well for students. The buses are expected to leave at 9:00 a.m. and return to WSU around 7:00 p.m. that same night. In between students will watch the women at noon and the men at 2:15. The most attractive part to students, it's free.

Students simply have to pay a five-dollar deposit, which is returned to them when they arrive to get on the bus. In addition to the ride and admission to the game students who go will also receive a T-shirt that says "Beat Butler" on the front.

So far, the idea has had a lot of response. There have already been enough students signed up to fill one bus and if the numbers keep growing, there be a second bus going as well.

"There was an overwhelming response," said Cunningham. Students can still sign up for the event by going to the student government office. If there are enough students who sign up for the event there will be a second bus going as well.

Although they may not lose sleep over the question many students may be wondering where the money is coming from to make this a free event.

The answer to that is Dr. Dan Abrahamowicz. After hearing the idea from Student Government President James Borchers, Dr. Abe said he would gladly support the event to get students more involved in school functions.

Butler is also in the Horizon League with Wright State so that makes the game that much bigger for both teams. Currently the men are 4-0 against Horizon League teams while the women are 2-4. Both teams are looking forward to the fan support on the road.

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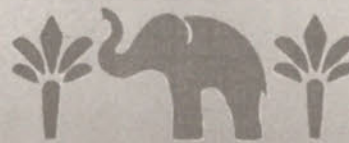
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